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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Patent Application of:  
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: Examiner: Jonathan Crepeau

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Title: POLYMER ELECTROLYTE FUEL CELL

**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE  
BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Decision dated August 16, 2004, Part of Paper No./Mail Date 20040811, of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1, 4, 6 and 8-11.

The items checked below are appropriate:

- ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time with extension fee for month(s) to respond to the final rejection was filed on
- ☒ A Petition for Extension of Time for one month to file the Notice of Appeal and the requisite extension fee in the amount of \$120.00 are enclosed.
- ☒ Notice of Appeal fee is enclosed (if applicable)
  - ☐ \$250.00 - Small Entity has been previously established in this case.
  - ☒ \$500.00.
  - ☐ Not required (fee paid in prior appeal).
- ☐ An oral hearing before the Board of Appeals is respectfully requested. Requisite fee is enclosed.
  - ☐ \$150.00 - Small Entity has been previously established in this case.
  - ☐ \$300.00.

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Respectfully submitted,

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